



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant	: Glanzer et al.	
Appln. No.	: 10/826,576	Confirmation No: 1749
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Title	: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING SAFETY INSTRUMENTED SYSTEMS IN A FIELD BUS ARCHITECTURE	Examiner: Patel, Ramesh B.

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This Terminal Disclaimer is being submitted concurrently with a Response to the Office action of December 28, 2004, Petition to Correct Priority Claim, and petition for one-month extension of time. Accordingly, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 in the amount of \$1,620.00, (\$120.00 for one-month extension of time fee, \$1,370.00 for Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Claim fee and \$130.00 for Terminal Disclaimer fee). The Applicant believes no further fees or petitions are required. However, if any such petitions or fees are necessary, please consider this a request therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 accordingly.

The undersigned is the attorney or agent of record in this application.

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